

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): An allergen suppressor,
which contains a hydrophilic polymer and a component suppressing an allergen.
2. (original): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, wherein a melting point of the hydrophilic polymer is 40°C or higher.
3. (currently amended): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1-~~or~~2,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer satisfies the following conditions (1) and/or (2):
condition (1): the hydrophilic polymer has an ether bond and/or an amide bond in a main chain; and
condition (2): the hydrophilic polymer has at least one polar group selected from the group consisting of an amine group, an ammonium salt group, a carboxyl group, a sulfone group, an ester group, a hydroxyl group and an amide group on a side chain.

4. (currently amended): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2 or 3~~,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polysaccharide, an alcoholic resin, an acrylic resin, an ether resin, an amide resin and a urethane resin.

5. (currently amended): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2, 3 or 4~~,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polyether, a polyvinyl alcohol, a polyacrylic acid, a polyacrylate salt, a polyacrylamide and a polyvinylpyrrolidone.

6. (currently amended): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2, 3, 4 or 5~~,
wherein at least two species of the hydrophilic polymers having different structures are used in combination.

7. (currently amended): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2, 3, 4, 5 or 6~~,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is mixed in proportions of 40 to 1000 weight % with respect to 100 weight % of the component suppressing an allergen.

8. (currently amended): An allergen-suppression processed fiber,
which is processed with the allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7~~.

9. (currently amended): A method of producing an allergen-suppression processed fiber, which comprises the step of processing a fiber with the allergen suppressor according to Claim 1, ~~2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7~~ and the step of insolubilizing a hydrophilic polymer.

10. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 2, wherein the hydrophilic polymer satisfies the following conditions (1) and/or (2):
condition (1): the hydrophilic polymer has an ether bond and/or an amide bond in a main chain; and
condition (2): the hydrophilic polymer has at least one polar group selected from the group consisting of an amine group, an ammonium salt group, a carboxyl group, a sulfone group, an ester group, a hydroxyl group and an amide group on a side chain.

11. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 2, wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polysaccharide, an alcoholic resin, an acrylic resin, an ether resin, an amide resin and a urethane resin.

12. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 3,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polysaccharide, an alcoholic resin, an acrylic resin, an ether resin, an amide resin and a urethane resin.

13. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 2,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polyether, a polyvinyl alcohol, a polyacrylic acid, a polyacrylate salt, a polyacrylamide and a polyvinylpyrrolidone.

14. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 3
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polyether, a polyvinyl alcohol, a polyacrylic acid, a polyacrylate salt, a polyacrylamide and a polyvinylpyrrolidone.

15. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 4,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is at least one selected from the group consisting of a polyether, a polyvinyl alcohol, a polyacrylic acid, a polyacrylate salt, a polyacrylamide and a polyvinylpyrrolidone.

16. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 2,
wherein at least two species of the hydrophilic polymers having different structures are
used in combination.

17. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 3,
wherein at least two species of the hydrophilic polymers having different structures are
used in combination.

18. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 4,
wherein at least two species of the hydrophilic polymers having different structures are
used in combination.

19. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 5,
wherein at least two species of the hydrophilic polymers having different structures are
used in combination.

20. (new): The allergen suppressor according to Claim 2,
wherein the hydrophilic polymer is mixed in proportions of 40 to 1000 weight % with
respect to 100 weight % of the component suppressing an allergen.